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A RESOLUTION CONGRATULATING THE RISE! PROGRAM, ITS STAFF AND STUDENTS ON RECEIVING THE PRESTIGIOUS 2012 NATIONAL ARTS AND HUMANITIES YOUTH PROGRAM AWARD.

WHEREAS, the Rhythm in Setting Expectations program – known as RISE! – engages young people aged 7-17 in significant exposure to the arts as a way to develop positive values, healthy habits and skills they need to be effective at home, at school and at work; and

WHEREAS, since 2005, RISE! has provided services to 2,200 young people from across Hampton Roads at its home in the historic Crispus Attucks Theatre, giving them an understanding and appreciation for African-American, Caribbean and other African Diaspora experiences through classes and workshops; and

WHEREAS, RISE! was recently selected from a pool of more than 350 nominations and 50 finalists as one of 12 recipients of the 2012 National Arts and Humanities Youth Program Award, the highest honor awarded to such programs in the United States; and

WHEREAS, on November 19, 2012, First Lady Michelle Obama presented the award to RISE! dance student Tiffani Prigrom and RISE! director Gail Easley in a White House ceremony.

Now, Therefore, Be It RESOLVED:

Section 1: - That the Council of the City of Norfolk hereby expresses its pride in this achievement and extends warm congratulations to the RISE! program, its staff and students on receiving the prestigious 2012 National Arts and Humanities Youth Program Award.

Section 2: - That this resolution shall be in effect from and after its adoption and a copy thereof be presented to the RISE! program.

Adopted by Council December 11, 2012 Effective December 11, 2012

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